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Skill Development of Widows
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Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any programme for the skill development of widows;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the budget allocated for the same during the current financial year?

Answer

(a) to (c) There are a number of skill development schemes across various sectors being implemented by Central Ministries/Departments. The data on the widows covered under these skill development programmes is not maintained centrally. However, most of these schemes have special provisions to promote the participation in skill development programmes by all socio-economic groups, including women. 30% of all the seats for the courses in all Government and Private ITIs are reserved for women candidates which includes widows as well.

Further, there are 402 Government Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) exclusively for women. Furthermore, Government has set up ten Regional Vocational Training Institutes (RVTIs) and one National Vocational Training Institute (NVTI) (at Noida, Uttar Pradesh) in Central Sector for skill Development of Women including widows across the Country. Details of these RVTIs are given below:-

RVTIs

S. No.	State	Place
1	Haryana	Panipat
2	Rajasthan	Jaipur
3	Meghalaya	Tura
4	West Bengal	Kolkata
5	Karnataka	Bengaluru
6	Kerala	Trivandrum
7	Madhya Pradesh	Indore
8	Gujrat	Vadodara
9	Uttar Pradesh	Allahabad
10	Maharashtra	Mumbai